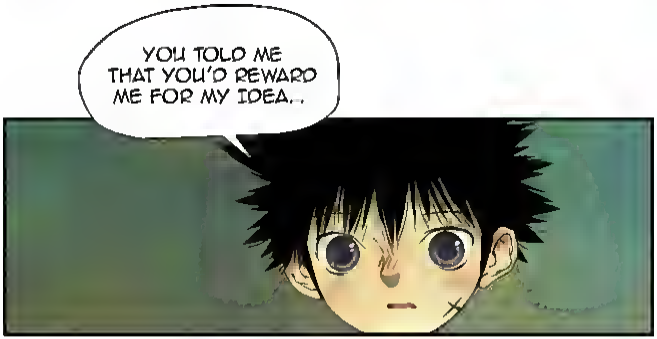
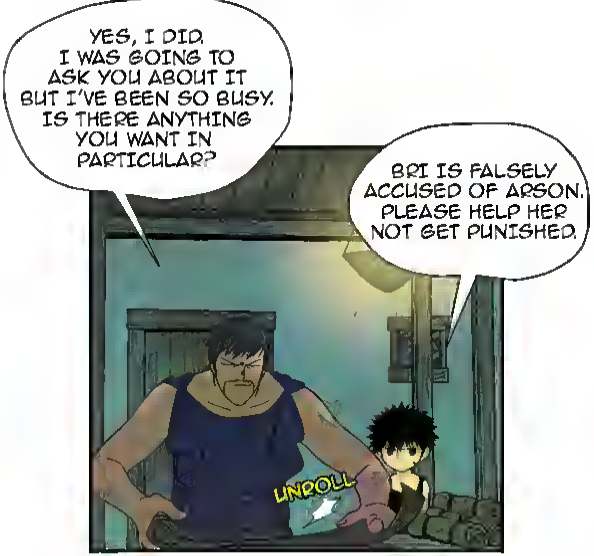
SIR, I HAVE A FAVOR TO ASK.
A FAVOR?


YOU TOLD ME THAT YOU'D REWARD ME FOR MY IDEA..

IF YOU'RE SURE THAT SHE'S FALSELY CHARGED DOES IT MEAN THAT YOU KNOW WHO REALLY DID IT?

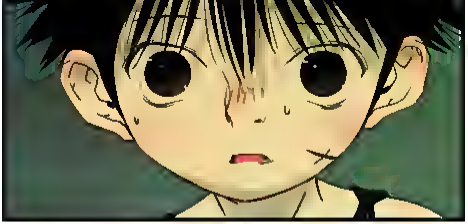
T...THAT'S...


YES, I DID. I WAS GOING TO ASK YOU ABOUT IT BUT I'VE BEEN SO BUSY. IS THERE ANYTHING YOU WANT IN PARTICULAR?
BRI IS FALSELY ACCUSED OF ARSON. PLEASE HELP HER NOT GET PUNISHED.
UNROLL

ARE YOU SURE THAT SHE DIDN'T COMMIT THE CRIME?
YES!

SIR ALKANOS!!
CLANK

WHAT IS IT? AT THIS EARLY HOUR...?



BRI ALREADY ADMITTED THAT SHE DID IT IN PUBLIC. TO OVERTURN THE RESULTS, YOU HAVE TO BRING THE REAL CULPRIT.

KOLLOS!
I'M SURE HE DID IT
HE MUST HAVE INCITED
EVERYTHING

DO YOU HAVE
PROOF? IF YOU
DON'T DID KOLLOS
SAY THAT HE DID IT
HIMSELF?
NO, BUT...
TAP

AESOP
OF COURSE
I DON'T THINK THAT
YOU'RE LYING
ABOUT IT.
BUT
IT ONLY WORKS
BETWEEN
YOU AND ME.

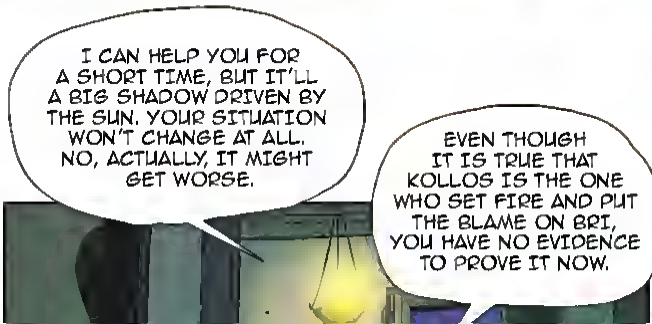
NOW.
LISTEN TO ME
CAREFULLY.

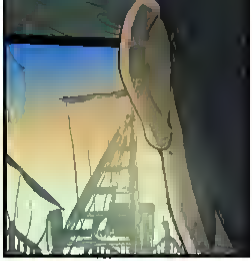
ONE DAY AT DUSK,
A WOLF WANDERING ALONG A QUIET PLACE
SAW HIS ELONGATED SHADOW BY THE SUN.

LOOKING AT HIS ENLARGED SHADOW, THE WOLF EXCLAIMED.

SO, THE WOLF WENT TO GO AFTER THE LION
AND THE LION STRUCK IT DOWN.
BEING DEVOURED BY THE LION, THE WOLF SAID..

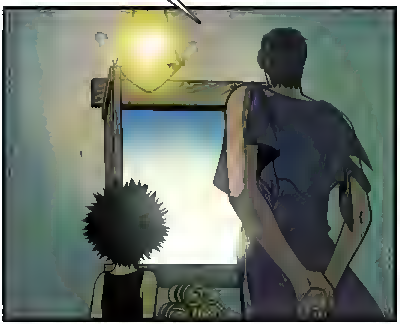
MY CONCEIT AND DELUSION DREW RUIN UPON MYSELF!


I CAN HELP YOU FOR A SHORT TIME, BUT IT'LL A BIG SHADOW DRIVEN BY THE SUN. YOUR SITUATION WON'T CHANGE AT ALL. NO, ACTUALLY, IT MIGHT GET WORSE.
EVEN THOUGH IT IS TRUE THAT KOLLOS IS THE ONE WHO SET FIRE AND PUT THE BLAME ON BRI, YOU HAVE NO EVIDENCE TO PROVE IT NOW.

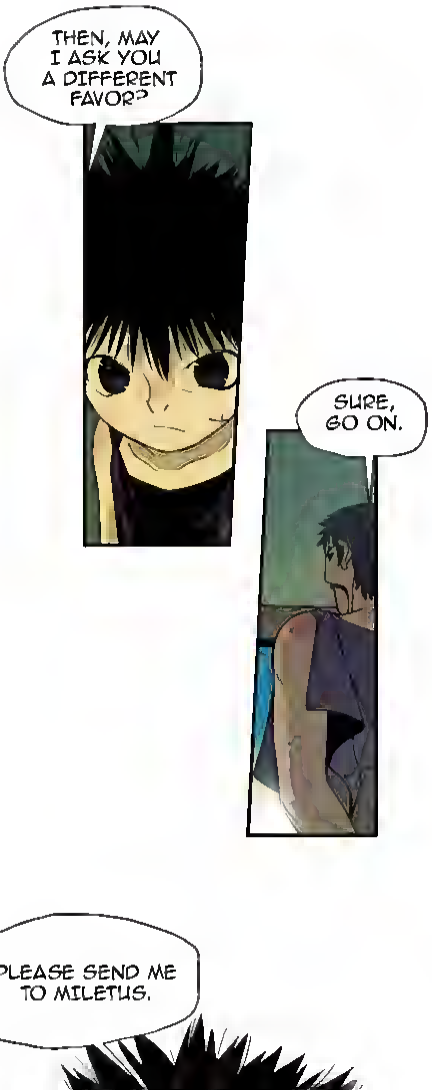


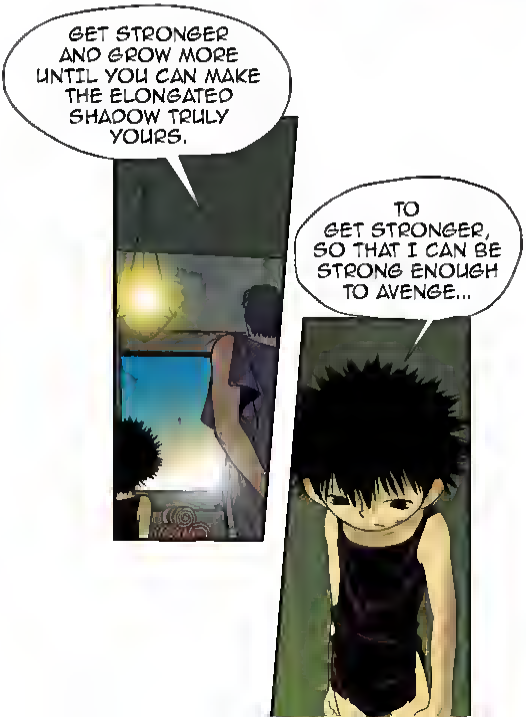
IF I MUST... I WOULD BE INSTEAD OF BRI...
JUSTICE WITHOUT POWER IS ONLY IMMATURE BRAVERY.

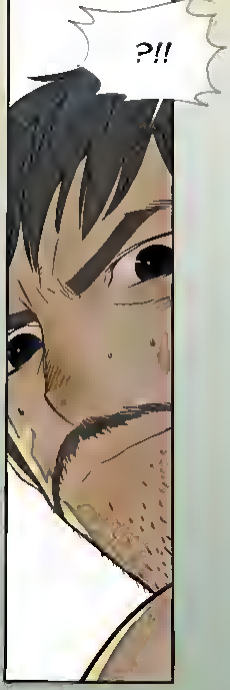
IF YOU MENTION IT TO OTHERS AGAIN, THEY WILL PUT THE BLAME ON YOU BECAUSE YOU WERE AT THE SCENE AND SURVIVED WITHOUT GETTING HURT.



IF THEY CAN'T FIND THE TRUE CRIMINAL, YOU'LL BE THE PRIME SUSPECT.


THEN, MAY I ASK YOU A DIFFERENT FAVOR?
SURE, GO ON.
PLEASE SEND ME TO MILETUS.


GET STRONGER AND GROW MORE UNTIL YOU CAN MAKE THE ELONGATED SHADOW TRULY YOURS.
TO GET STRONGER, SO THAT I CAN BE STRONG ENOUGH TO AVENGE...



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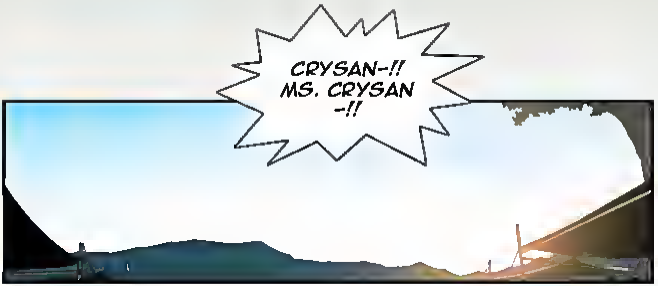
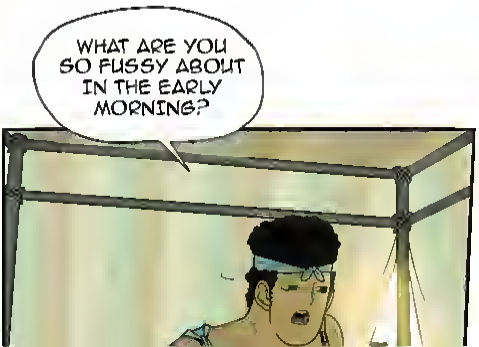

CRYSAN-!!
MS. CRYSAN
-!!


WHAT ARE YOU SO FUSSY ABOUT IN THE EARLY MORNING?

AT DAWN, AESOP SECRETLY CAME TO US. SIR ALKANOS TOLD HIM TO COME BACK BEFORE SUN RISE...
AESOP ASKED US TO DELIVER HIS MESSAGE.

WHEN I BROUGHT DAROSS TO MS. CRYSAN, I GAVE HER A RING AND ASKED HER TO KEEP IT
YOU GUYS MAKE SURE TO GIVE IT TO BRI BEFORE SHE LEAVES!

A RING...?

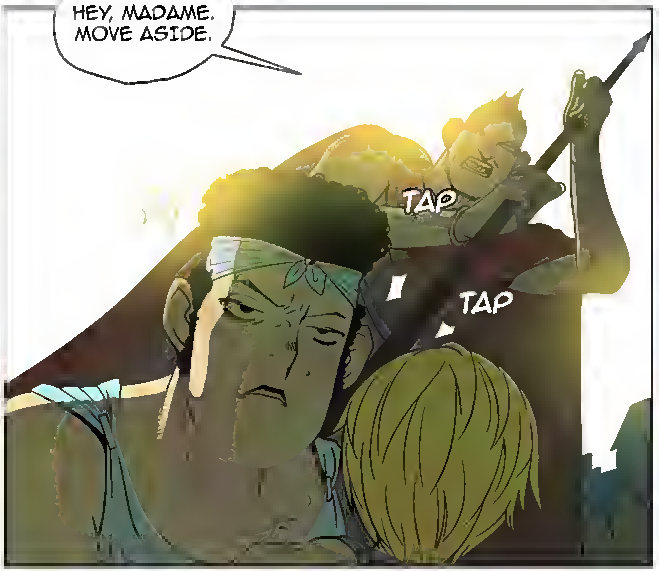
WHAT IS IT?
I DON'T HAVE TIME! I MUST GO BACK TO THE PORT BEFORE OTHERS NOTICE. SO, LISTEN TO ME AND GO TO THE MARKET RIGHT AWAY!

OH, THE RING ON THE NECKLACE! YES! I'M KEEPING IT FOR AESOP.
BY THE WAY, TO BRI? WHY ALL OF A SUDDEN?
WELL, THE THING IS...
TEARFUL
TEARFUL

THEY ARE GOING TO PUT BRI IN THE SLAVE MARKET TODAY...
WHAT?!

KEEP WALKING!!

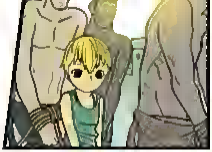
MOVE, MOVE~
BRI!! GOSH, WHAT'S HAPPENING?!!
BRI! WHAT HAPPENED?! WHY ARE THEY SELLING SUCH A NICE KID LIKE YOU?!!

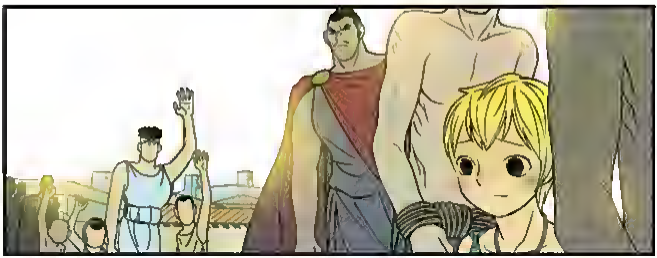

HEY, MADAME.
MOVE ASIDE.
TAP
TAP

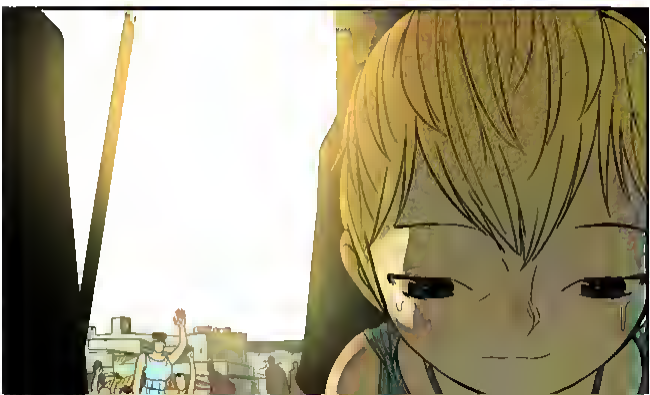
HEY!
WHAT WAS THAT FOR?
YOU COULD'VE JUST
SAID SO!
I'M NOT A DEAF!

IT'S FROM AESOP.
AESOP SAID
IF ANYTHING HAPPENS,
YOU MUST ASK FOR HELP
TO SOMEONE BY GIVING
THIS RING IN RETURN.
WE PUT IT
ON A LONG CHAIN
SO THAT OTHERS
CAN'T SEE IT.

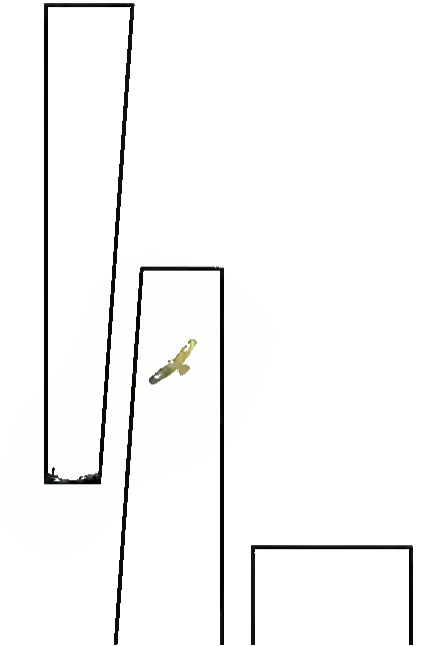
LET'S GO,
KIDS!
B,
BRI...!

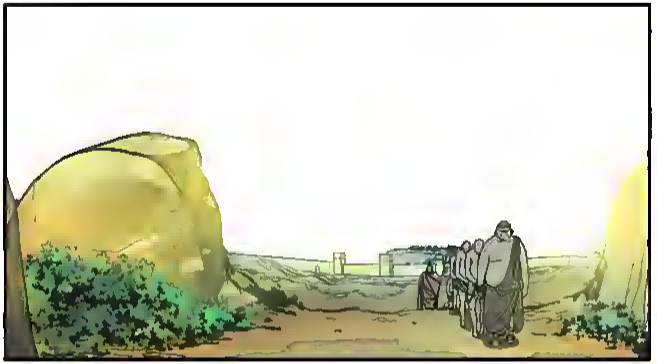




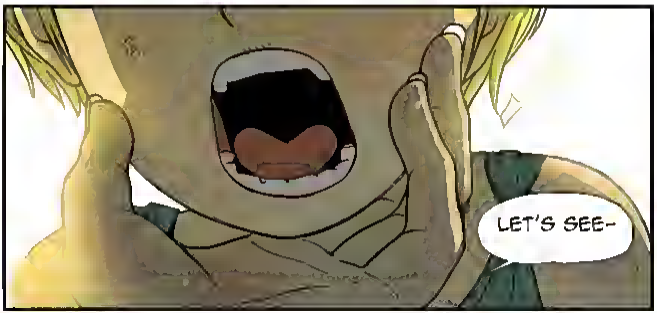


SWISH
WELL, I DIDN'T MEAN TO...
GOSH! YOU JUST PEEKED AT MY BOOBS, DIDN'T YOU?!
WHAT?!! NO, I DIDN'T!
HUSH!
BRI, STICK YOUR HEAD OUT!





HERE IS A STRONG SLAVE YOU HARDLY SEE THESE DAYS~!!
SLAVES! COME HERE FOR SLAVES!!


LET'S SEE-

WHAT?
IS THIS A GIRL?
WHY ARE HER BONES SO THIN?
SIR, YOU HAVE A SHARP EYE!
ALTHOUGH IT'S A GIRL, SHE WORKS WELL 'CAUSE SHE'S SMART!

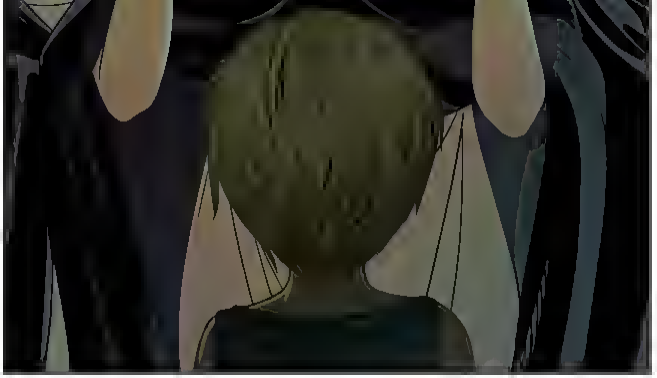
WHAT'S THE USE OF A GIRL BEING SMART? IF WE ALLOW GIRLS TO POSSESS A FORTUNE OR POWER LIKE SPARTA, IT'LL ONLY CREATE BLOODY FEMALE WARRIORS!!
JEEZ! SIR, SOMEBODY MIGHT OVERHEAR YOU. SOMETIMES, SPARTANS VISIT HERE TOO...
AND AS YOU KNOW, GIRLS ARE USEFUL IN OTHER WAYS...
HMM~ ACTUALLY, SHE'LL LOOK PRETTY IF SHE GOT HER FACE CLEANED UP.

WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
IT'S BRI, SIR...

HMM~
WHAT'S THIS?
A RING?
T...THAT'S...

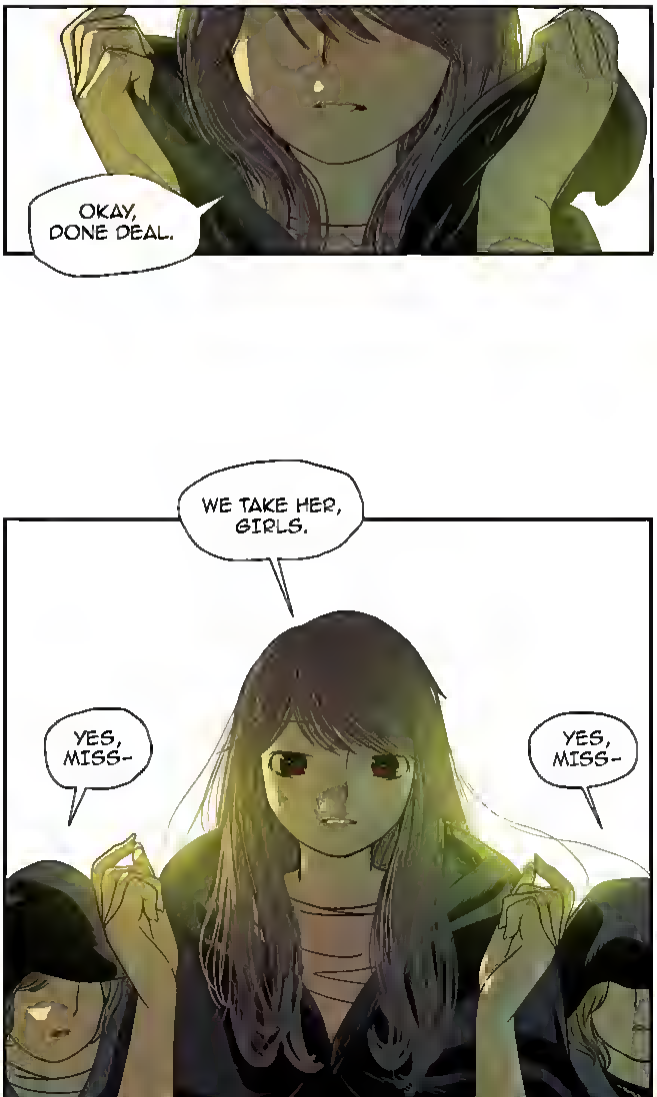
IT LOOKS PRETTY EXPENSIVE

IF I BUY HER, I GET THIS RING TOO, HUH?
NO, SIR! LET ME CHECK THE PRICE FOR THAT RING FIRST...
SNATCH



MISS IDETH, WE SHOULD HURRY. THERE'S NOT MUCH TIME...
WAIT...
THAT GIRL I'LL BUY HER WITH THAT RING TOGETHER
?!!

WHAT? DIDN'T YOU SEE? I WAS HAGGLING OVER HER!
WHATEVER HER PRICE IS, I'LL ALSO PAY YOU DOUBLE. WHAT DO YOU THINK?
THEN, IT'LL BE FIN...


OKAY, DONE DEAL.
WE TAKE HER, GIRLS.
YES, MISS-
YES, MISS-